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**CHAPTER 486**

AN ACT to amend 51.05 (1) of the statutes, relating to commitments of mentally deficient patients to state institutions.

*The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly,  
do enact as follows:*

51.05 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

51.05 (1) If the court or jury finds that the patient is mentally ill or infirm and should be sent to a hospital for the mentally ill or infirm, the court shall commit him to a hospital, stating in the commitment whether the notice specified in s. 51.02 was served, and if not, the reasons. If it is found that the patient is mentally infirm, commitment may be to the facility mentioned in sub. (5). If it is found that the patient is mentally deficient and should be committed, the commitment shall be to the northern colony and training school \* \* \* or the southern colony and training school; *but the department may divide the state by counties into 2 districts and thereafter commitments from any county shall be to the colony and training school for the district in which the county is situated, unless the department consents to a different commitment.*

Approved September 16, 1959.

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